AJC denounces Quaker group

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (R). — The American Jewish Congress (AJC) today denounced the American Friends Service Committee, a Quaker humanitarian group, for recognising the Palestine Liberation Organisation as an element to be included in Middle East peace talks. The AJC's action was a response to a Quaker invitation to a weekend seminar on the Middle East. The invitation said the Palestinians have a right to their own state and the PLO should take part in a renewed Geneva conference. Among those attending the Quaker conference are an Israeli reserve Genral, Mati Peled, who is here as a private citizen, and a number of American Jews.

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Expressions of sympathy

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IN (JNA). — Huge cro-locked to the Royal Hae Court Friday and ofcondolences on the death late Queen Alya to His y King Hussein, His ess Crown Prince Hassan, ers of the royal family ueen's father.
Jehan Sadat, wife of

an President Anwar Saa-rived from Cairo to prener condolences to King in and the Queen Mother,

Her Majesty Zein Al Sharaf. She was accompanied by the Minister of Social Affairs, Dr. Amal Othman, and the Secretary General of the Egyptian Presidency, Mr. Raouf Abdin.
The Speaker of the Syrian People's Assembly, Mr. Mohammad Ali Al Halaby, arrived at the head of a padigrentary. at the head of a parliamentary

delegation to offer condolences to King Hussein. Mr. Al Halaby and his party also visited the home of the late Health Minister, Dr. Mo-

hammad Al Bashir, and expres sed their sympathy to members

of his family.

An Omani delegation headed by Prince Tueini Ibn Shihab, Personal Adviser to His Majesty Sultan Qabus, and former Syrian Premier Mahmoud Al Ayoubi also presented their condolences.

A Morocan delegation led by Prince Ali, the cousin of His Majesty King Hassan, arrived in the evening to offer condo-



Former Syrian Prime Minister Mahmoud Ayoubi (centre), former Prime Minister Zeid Rifa'i (2nd from right), and Chief of the Royal Cabinet, Sha rif Abdul Hamid Sharaf (extreme right), offer their condolences to His Highness Crown Prince Hassan and the father of Her Majesty the late Queen Alya, Mr. Bahauddin Toukan.

King Hussein receives cables of condolence

AMMAN (JNA). — His Majesty King Hussein received cables of condolence on the death of Queen Alya from a large number of kings, emirs and presidents of Arab and friendly countries.

PRINCE MOHAMMAD **VISITS FAMILIES** OF DECEASED

AMMAN (JNA). — His Highness Prince Mohammad Friday paid a visit to the families of the late Minister of Health, Dr. Mohammad Al Bashir, Lt.-Col. Badred-dine Zaza, and Lt.-Col. Muhannad Al Khass, who died in the helicopter crash with Her Majesty Queen Alya, to express his condolences.

mad Ibn Mohammad, ruler of the Fujairah Emirate of the United Arab Emirates: President Muammar Qadhafi of Li-bya; Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip of Britain; King Baudoin of Belgium; King Kari Gustav of Norway; President Pinochet of Chile.

King Hussein also received telegrams of sympathy from His Highness Sheikh Khaled Al Qasimi; Crown Prince of Ras Al Khaimah; Mr. Rhaled Al Fahoum, Speaker of the Palestinian National Council; Mr. Amir Abbas Hoveida, Iranian Prime Minister; Prince Rainier of Monaco; the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, Prince Michel De Bourbon; and former

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Fahmi invites *ienscher* Geneva

), Feb. 11 (R). — Egypt invited West Germany e part in any resumption Geneva Middle East pea-

ptlan Foreign Minister Fahmi said he would ie Bonn government not o play an active role in tional efforts to resolve iddle East problem, but o invite you to come to

Fahmi was speaking to German Foreign Minis-ans-Dietrich Genscher, arrived here today from cus for a two-day visit which he will have disas with Egyptian leaders spects for resuming the

Damascus two days ago, - President Hafez Assad aid he would welcome pation by West Germany ther European countries Geneva conference.

Genscher, who will also here with United Na-Secretary General Kurt oim, told reports at Caport today that his visit at a favourable time for 33 towards a Middle East

would like to contribute within the possibilities r balanced policy towar-Middle East," he said.

Vance envisages "very active U.S. role" in M.E.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11 (Agencies). - Secretary of State Cyrus Vance wants to discuss in denth reports that Palestinian leaders are taking a softer line towards Israel when he visits the Middle East next week, he said in an interview with the New York Times published to-

But Mr. Vance expressed unwillingness to put forward a specific peace plan for the Middle East, envisaging instead a very active role" by the United States.

A settlement should be worked out with the parties in the conflict and the role of the United States should be to help them reach a solution acceptahle to everyone, the secretary of state said.

He went on : "If there has been a moderation in the Palesthian position, then obviously this would be a helpful step. "This is something that I'd want to find out first hand

from the Arab leaders. I would like to find out whether they share this view. "There is increasing talk that this is the case and I want to explore this in depth with

Mr. Vance would not be drawn on the question of a future Palestinian state. He said there were three key

elements for a negotiated settlement in the Middle East : Peace, an Israeli withdrawal from occupied territory and "finding a way to meet the legi-timate interests of the Palestinian people,"

The U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance also told reporters that he will make a recom-mendation to President Carter on the proposed sale of controversial concussion bombs to Israel before leaving on his Middle East trip on Monday.

The highly destructive bombs were promised to Israel by President Ford during the final stages of the presidential election campaign.

President Carter told a news conference on Tuesday that be was reviewing the sale but had not decided yet whether to ca-

Mr. Vance was questioned by reporters following a twohour private meeting with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to discuss his six-nation Middle East trip, described as a fact-finding mission for the

He said a study on the question of supplying nuclear reactors to Egypt and Israel would not be completed by the time he leaves for the Middle East. The reactors were promised Mr. Vance's predecessor Henry Kissinger, as part of the Middle East partial sett-

lement package hetween Israel and Egypt. Mr. Vance said no requests for fighters had been received from the Egyptians. A Senate staff report made public yesterday said Egypt was seeking to buy F-5 fighters from the United States.

Hashemite Family.

Clashes resume around Beirut

for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command (PFLP-GC).

had caused the new outbreak

of violence, the worst for two

months. The peace force said yesterday it had come under fire as it tried to stop fighting between two rival wings of the

Residents in the area said

rocket-propelled grenades, mor-

tars and even tanks were being

But the action on the south-

ern outskirts of Beirut had re-latively little impact on life el-

sewhere in the city. Traffic flo-

wed freely through western Beirut's Hamra district.

fighting an attractive young woman in a black skirt slit up

tn the thighs was trying to

hitch a lift, apparently uncon-

cerned by the explosions in the

heard today in Beirut's com-

mercial district, reduced to

ruins by prolonged shelling du-

ring the 19-month civil war.

But residents in the area said

there had been only an isolat-

The peace force said tonight

its troops had come under fire

Small arms fire was also

Less than a mile from the

PFLP-GC.

used.

It was not known just what

By Bernard Debusmann

BEIRUT, Feb. 11 (R). - Hardline Palestinian guerrillas and Syrian troops of Lebanon's 30,000-strong Arab League peace-keeping force clashed fiercely for the second day running today, with concentrated mortar fire sending civilians racing

Syrian soldiers in the area said the fighting centred on the Palestinian refugee camps of Sahra and Shatila and the adjoining Bourj Al Barajneh district on the southern outskirts of Beirut, near the capital's international airport.

Rightwing sources said today 18 people had been killed in yesterday's clashes -- 15 Palestinian commandos and three members of the peace force, including an officer.

A huge column of smoke rose from Shatila camp today as mortar shells, fired from peace force positions on Beirut's sea front, slammed into the area. The shells set several small bouses ablaze.

Sabra residents said that fighting erupted shortly after midday. Five hours later, loudspeaker vans of the Palestine Armed Struggle Command the Palestinian commandos' military police -- called on the guerrillas to cease fire. There was no immediate response.

The residents reported seeing ambulances carrying dead and wounded, but the numbers were not known. This correspondent counted 21 shells in less than one hour

in the direction of Shatila camp. The explosions were interspersed by the rattle of ma-chinegum and light weapons' fire. A Syrian non-commissioned

officer at a roadblock near the camp said the fighting was be-tween the peace force and com-mandos of the Popular Front The Royal Hashemite Court regretfully announces

support for law and order measures CAIRO, Feb. 11 (AFP). — President Anwar Sadat won overwhelming popular approval in yesferday's referendum for the strong security measu-res he introduced in the wake

According to official returns, 99.42 per cent of the votes cast were favour of the measures, the same proportion that vo-ted for Mr. Sadat when be went to the country for a second term of office last autumn.

of last month's riots over go-

vernment-planned price increa-

The measures included such stern punishments as hard labour for life for strikers and demonstrators and prison terShots were still being heard tonight at the time the state-ment was issued, the staement

during renewed clashes in the Sabra and Shatila camps. It ad-ded that the troops shelled the

firing posts and took up posi-

Meanwhile, in Israel, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin said today agreement had been reached on the withdrawl of Syrian units from Nabatiyeh, south Lebanon, starting next

Speaking to municipal and village beads in northern Israel, the prime minister said diplomatic efforts made with the help of the United States had produced an agreement under which the Syrian soldiers wnuld leave Nabatiyeh early next week, before the arrival of U.S. Secretary of State, Cyrus Vance, in the region.

Israeli Foreign Ministry sources said vesterday that Israel's Ambassador in Washington, Mr Simcha Denitz, who had been expected to return home in advance of the U.S. secretary of state's visit, had been told to stay in the United States till Nabatiyeh question

President Sadat wins overwhelming

Foreign observers were su-

rprised by the high turnout in

yesterday's poli -- 96.69 per cent of the electorate -- since

they had reported seeing few

voters turn up at polling sta-

tions in the capital. According to the final results only

Egypt with a 40 million pop-

ulation has only 9.6 million

voters because a large number

of those eligible are not regis-

The newspaper Al Gomhou-

riya reported that about 50

people were arrested in Cairo,

Alexandria and Port Said for

distributing leaflets urging vo-

54,138 people voted "no".

tered in election lists.

ms for tax evaders

Waldheim: Further talks Dr. Waldheim said that Mr.

CAIRO, Feh. 11 (Agencies). — U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim, who arrived here today from Israel on the final stage of his Middle East peace mission, said be still believed the Geneva peace conference could be reconvened.

Dr. Waldheim, who was met reign Minister Ismail Fahmi. told a press conference : "I still think we will be able in our further consultations to bridge the gap which exists so that the Geneva conference can be reconvened."

He said there was a serious will on all sides to reconvene the conference.

"The question is under what conditions, and bere there are still differences which will have to be clarified," the secretary general said.

At a press conference in Jerusalem before leaving for Cairo, Dr. Waldheim said the Palestinian attitude had changed and was "more flexible."

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appeared anxious to point out

that support for the emergency

measures came from all cla-

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Sadat's call for a campaign of

national unity against what were called plots and sabotage.

to cast a ballot were subject

to fines of about one pound

Observers saw the referen-

dum as an attempt to show

Egyptians and the rest of the

Arab World that President Sadat was master of a situation

which appeared to have slip-

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disturbances broke out on Jan.

He appeared to be anxious

to demonstrate that he had the

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Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the PLO Executive Committee, was now ready to accept a Palesti-nian entity "which is different to that previously demanded by the PLO."

The secretary general added that his impression during his of Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia was that their leaders have become 'more flexible and expect that meaningful and substantial negotiations will follow as a re-

But Israeli leaders felt that this flexibility was not enough he said. They wanted clearer, more tangible signs.

He said he believed the coming session of the Palestinian National Council, the PLO's equivalent of a parliament, wo-

He said he saw no current threat of renewed war. But he urged further efforts "to grasp the current wave of moderation, or else frustration, bitterness and despair will again dominate the Mideast scene"

He was convinced that Israeli leaders were ready to "go to Geneva" even in the midst of a parliamentary election campaign, but with the same participants as in 1973 -- which would exclude the PLO.

Asked in Cairo whether Israel was prepared to recognise the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) as the sole representative of the Palestinian people, he said: "No. They are

Dr. Waldheim said the question of PLO participation at Geneva, as demanded by the Arab World, was one of the questions which still had to be resolved.

Answering further questions. Dr. Waldheim stressed that he was impressed by "the identical views expressed to me by all Arab governments and par-

The secretary general said he would continue his consultations after he returns to New York and pointed nut that he had to make a report to the U.N. Security Council on his Middle East trip by March 1 at the latest. Dr. Waldheim, who leaves

tomorrow, will be having talks with Mr. Fahmi to brief him on the results of his tour.

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the husband of Her Royal Highness Princess Haya,

who died at Heliopolis Hospital in Cairo on Feb. 10.

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AND ITS SWEDISH AND JORDANIAN STAFF OFFER THEIR SINCEREST **CONDOLENCES TO** HIS MAJESTY KING HUSSEIN AT THE SAD PASSING OF HER MAJESTY QUEEN ALYA

Black nationalists give Smith plan mixed reception SALISBURY, Feb. 11 (R). -

Black nationalists gave a mixed reception today to Prime Minister Ian Smith's tentative plan to ask Rhodesia's six million blacks which leader they prefer on the road to majority

The consensus in political circles here was that a referendum would produce a strong vote for Bishop Abel Muzore-wa, the nationalist leader effectively snubbed by black African in favour of his rivals, Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe, who are allied in Rhodesia's "Patriotic Front."

Mr. Smith, who is believed to have secured approval from South African Premier John Vorster this week for a new attempt at reaching an internal settlement excluding the patriotic front, has hinted strongly that he would like to deal with Bishop Muzorewa. But his advances bave been rejected so far by the Methodist clergyman.

Dr. Gordon Chavunduka, Secretary general of the Bishop's United African National Council (UANC), said today it was difficult for the party to comment on the referendum idea until Mr. Smith had made a full statement on how the test would be carried out.

But Willie Musururwa, publicity secretary of Mr. Nkomo's African National Council Zimbabwe (ANCZ), said a referendum would be "a waste of time, energy, labour and mo-

"It is quite obvious that the referendum will he rigged and the results will be accepted by no country in the whole world, not even South Africa," Musururwa said.

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Another chance

There will be great debate and rightly so, on the news that U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim has told the Israelis that the PLO and the Arab states are willing to accept the creation of a Palestinian state on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Presumably, such a state's coming into being would be tantamount to fulfilment of the "rights" of the Palestinians, a concept vehemently rejected by hardline Palestinians but accepted by many others, and thus naturally expected to incite great debate among all Palestinians and Arabs.

But the key question will remain: If one accepts a state on part of Palestine, is this therefore only a partial solution?

We suggest that the validity of answering this question will not lie so much in what the Palestinians say, but rather in what the Israelis say. It has already been stated by the Palestine National Council that a national "authority" will be established on whatever parts of Palestine are liberated from the Israelis and revert to Arab control. Thus, in effect it has already been decided by the highest Palestinian policy-making body to set up a Palestinian entity on whatever parts of Palestine are freed, and the liberation of the West Bank and Gaza would thus automatically be followed by the activation of Palestinian national sovereignty

The real significance of such a move rests with the response it draws from Israel, as its full implications for real peace in the Middle East rest on the willingness of the Palestinians and the Israelis to recognise the legitimate national claims and rights of each other. In this context, it is wrong to look at the Palestinians only and ask them when they will nake peace with the Israelis. It is similarly wrong for Israeli sympathisers to keep repeating that the central issue in the Middle East is the Arabs' unwillingness to recognise Israel. The central issue is the inability of both the Arabs and the Israelis to simultaneously recognise each other.

If the PLO and the Arabs are indeed sending signals to Israel via Mr. Waldheim that they will accept a small Palestinian state, then this major step towards a historic compromise for peace must 'ocus all eyes on the Israeus, who have a chance once a to demonstrate how much they really want peace by reciprocating, in spirit if not in full deed.

If both the Arabs and the Israelis set in motion a process that indicates their willingness to meet each other part way, then everybody's future would look more hopeful. If the Israelis really mean it when they say that all they want to do is live in peace in their own little country, they may now have a chance to put their money where their mouth is.

Civil war has taught Lebanon how

The disastrons civil war in Lebanon resulted in widespread destruction and almost total teconomic chaos. Of this small nation's population of 3,000,006, eight or nine out of every ten casualties — altogether 60,000 died and 100,000 were injured — were innocent civilians. Most government-run social services — schools, clinics, health centres — ceased to operate. But in spite of all the difficulties Lebanon's social workers and other volunteers cooperated magnificently to provide essential needs. Now that the war is over the people are getting back to normal life again. With the aid of international organisations the country is setting about healing its wounds.

Reporter Anthony Hewett has just travelled extensively in Lebanon with an international relief column. He has talked with the people, with the doctors who served them so well during the war, and with relief workers. Their story, says Hewett, is an extraordinary one of survival amid anarchy and the constant danger of casual extinction. In this special feature Gemini News Service presents Hewett's Lebanon notebook.

By Anthony Hewett

BEIRUT, (Gemini) - The war in Lebanon was the work of perhaps five per cent of this nation's three million population. Yet it was the rest who paid -- eight or nine out of every ten casualties, includ-ing 60,000 dead, were innoce-

There is another form of payment too, levied particularly on the weak -- the poor, the homeless, the children -- in the complete disappearance in large parts of the country, for long periods, of any normal ment services.

This forgotten majority's only contribution to the war re-ports was as statistics. Yet their story is an extraordinary one of survival amid anarchy and the constant danger of casual extinction.

They are left with the task of making something new from the wreckage of their society, a society whose nature -- it must be said -- provided the preconditions for such an allconsuming conflagration.

One thoughtful Lebanese put it this way: "We have always been a country of individualists. Everything of any significance was always left to rampant enterpreneurial instincts and unconstrained free enterprise. What we never cultivated in three decades of independence was any sense of national awareness. In that sense Lebanon was not a nation; it was a state of mind."

This notebook provides only glimpses of Lebanon's social wounds. How long they will be in the healing and how costly they will prove will depend very greatly on how well and how quickly they are treated. If they are not neglected something new and better may in-deed emerge from the tragedy of Lebanon.

The first casualty -- govern-

Among the war a first casualties were the governmentrun social services -- schools. clinics, health centres. Poor relations of private institutions

in these fields, they were never-

ABSURDITY'S LOOPHOLE

Bassam Bishuti feels that in these sad days of na-tional mourning the appea-rance of his rather lighthearted weekly column Absurdity's loophole, sche-duled for today, would have been most inappro-

theless non-sectarian and the only services the poor could

In most cases they were completely closed during the war and became easy targets for damage and looting by any side. Some services were kept going thanks to Lebanon's small cadres of social workers, and to a phenomenal upsurge in community initiative.

The dedicated work of staff of the government's flediging Office of Social Development (OSD) was perhaps to be exected. As one of the few repositories of social conscious-ness existing before the war, its people were a natural agency through which relief supplies could be distributed to

communities on different sides.

This work went on in at least 15-20 communities which otherwise might not have been reached. OSD's activity throughout the war, a sort of dogged crusede for human considerations in the midst of inbumanity, has resulted in its being given responsibility for large-scale relief distribution in the postwar period.

The surprise was the emergence of local committees which sprang up spontaneously in many "mixed" communities and were run oo scrupulously non-sectarian lines.

In Ras Beirut, for example, which for many months lacked governmental structure of any kind, these committees gave vaccinations and inoculations, collected rubbish, and handled sanitation problems among other things.

A member of one of these

committees said: "We were more or less evenly divided as to religion. The question of religion was irrelevant to us. We were friends and neighbours, it was our community -- and somebody had to do the job." His wife, her ankle in plaster, said: "When I was injured it was Ali and Mahmoud who carried me up the stairs. They didn't stop to ask whether they as Moslems should be helping me, a Christian. We we-

re friends and that was that" The overworked doctors

Hospital services in both parts of divided Beirut during the war were only possible because doctors and surgeons voluntarily donated uncounted hours and often worked along with operating room staff, 24 hours -- sometimes 48 -- at a st-

By April, 1976, the American University Hospital in west Beirut was never at less than 82 per cent of its bed capacity and usually well over 90 per cent full, operating with 40 per cent of its normal staff. By May, the hospital was handling a normal year's quota of gunshot wounds -- 100 -- each day. One neurosurgeoo began work at 7 a.m. and finished 36 hours later, having performed hrain operations on 14 patients

When the city divided in May 1975 Husni Majzoub, an opthalmologist, found himself the only member on the Council of the Order of Physicians left in west Beirut. He immediately set about establishing a medical committee for the area. "It seemed a natural, buman duty", he said. "Our patients had been paying us all those years; now it was our

turn to do something for them. "At any one time a hundred doctors were likely to be taking part, either in the hospitals, or running a network of dis-pensaries which grew from 15 to 45 during the little more than 12 months we functioned. We had both Christian and Mo-

slem doctors working together. "On the other side of the line, it was exactly the same system. We kept in touch with each other and cooperated when we could. For instance we would send them fuel and they would send us oxygen.

"We had a capacity in we-st Beirut of 1,000 beds and were getting 200 o 300 wound-ed a day, sometimes for three to four days consecutively. And these cases could require perhaps ten times the average amount of hospital care and medical treatment.

"The strain was enormous, especially on orthopaedic and general surgeons. I myself saw one surgeon, after working long hours for many days, break down in tears when 10-12 children were brought in together, all of them needing amputations.

What do I feel as a result of all this? It has made me see that we all have to fight for political change to transform Lebanon into a normal democratic state.

Kfar Chonba -- the wait for winter Kfar Chouba perches brok-

enly 4,000 feet up in the mountains of southern Lebanon, only four of its 305 houses still more or less intact. The Israeli border, perhaps two kms. away, is marked by an observation post on the next ridge.

The sun is shining when we arrive but it is chilly. The normal population of 3,500 comes with the spring to plant vege-tables and tend the apple and olive trees, leaves as the cold weather begins to spend winter in the valley below.

This year, with that valley cut off by the roadblocks and checkpoints which have made this part of the country a patchwork quilt of opposing territories and forces, more than 1,400 people -- mostly elderly or children and including a thcusand displaced from other villages -- will be forced to sit out the winter here.

We arrive with two truckloads of food and blankets; a family moves into a single room so the garage they were oc-cupying can be used as stor-

Children surge around the unloading, climb over the sides of the trucks to strain at the bales of blankets and push the boxes of timed goods to the edge of the tray where a shut-tle of able-bodied men burry them into the garage; 11 tons is unloaded in less than an hour.

Some of the children have skin sores and there are some signs of goitre; the town's nor-mal water supply stopped when the pipeline from neighbouring Cheba'a was broken and the water remaining in underground cisterns is now stagnant and polluted. Mending the broken water line would be simple, if only the villagers could

get some cement. There is no doctor, no dispensary. The nearest medical attention is ten difficult miles away in Hasbayah.

Amid the rubble of the town, a guide points to a gaping shell half blown away and looking more like a nightmarish bus shelter than the building it once was -- the elementary school.

Government schools like this, which represented 40 per cent of the education system and served the poorer communities, will need at least \$5.5 million to be restored to working order. Not all are so badly damaged but equipment losses are extensive -- 60 per cent in the south of the country; 90 per cent in Beirut and its sub-

In the village of Kfar Chouba the first rations from the relief stocks are being distributed. There is great animation and lively interest in the weighing and allocation. Only one more delivery will be possible be-fore snows cut off Kfar Chouba from further supplies.

The children will have warm clothing such as the sets ru-shed to Lebanon by the U.N. Children's Fund. If what they wear now gets wet they have nothing to change into. Once that last delivery is made, Kfar Chonha's population will brace itself for a cold and lonely winter.

Nadia -- the guardian angel

Burj Al Brajnah is part of Beirut's so-called 'misery be-it" — the slums, camps and squatter settlements of refugees, itinerant workers and poor farmers which encircle the city. It has a major centre of the Office of Social Development, providing a variety health, educat cial services and fieldwork training for OSD social workers.

That it was one of the most active centres of relief distribution and operations is largely attributable to the personality of its director, Nadia Tewtal. She is not a woman who gives up easily.

Battling with men who would have diverted relief supplies, cajoling local commanders to let her truck-loads of blankets and kitchen utensils past their lines, she was the moving spirit behind much of the OSD

relief work in west Beirut. Nadia has a face that smiles have made, the instincts of a born social worker. It was a career born of ber first visit as a university student to the notorious Beirut shum Quarantina. Until then she was the normal product of a wealthy

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"It was the first shock of my life; it changed the whole meaning of my life. Such misery. It was raining that day and it was raining more inside these people's homes than outside. The contrast when I came back to my nice centrally-heated home was more than I could stand".

For a week she could not go back to her political science studies. Then a friend sugge ted the school of social studies; social work has been her life ever since.

"I am crying with every family; I am living every moment in my professional life", she says. "I shock people now when I say things in Lebanon are not worse than they have always been for some people. It's just that more notice is being taken now".

Although the regular prog-ramme of social services apart from mother and child health care and dispensary service stopped in Burj Al Brajnab while Nadia and her staff concentrated on distribution of blankets, milk and food; she never loses sight of its importance as a training ground for people Lebanoo's shattered

communities are going to need. Nadia's efforts of the past 19 months have not been without danger. Her stalwart protection of some food supplies brought her into conflict with a group of young men who had decided to misappropriate

When she thwarted them, they threatened her, forcing her to stay away from her apartment for some days. However, she could not keep herself from driving back to where the supplies were kept to make sure they were still there. "I was just driving away

ooe day when there was a shot" she said. "It hit the driver of the car behind. "I was going to stop to help but the girl with me had seen

it happening and she shouted: Go, go. It's you they are aiming at!"
The guardian angel of social

months is that Lebano... find itself too preoccupie today to think about ton That would be bad nel the children. They are workers did a good job in Beirut that day. non's tomorrow



A mother takes a drink from a broken water pipe pro ing from a wall at St. Simon beach. Water supply is a pro-in many towns and villages in Lebanon and will have to b of the first priorities in the rehabilitation of the cor UNICEF proposes providing \$400,000 worth of help for effort in the next six months

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Two of the Jordanian dailies Friday eulogised in their editorials Her Majesty the late Oueen Alva.

AL RA'I, under the heading "Tears of the faithful", says that Jordan wept over its first lady yesterday, not out of weakness but in acknowledgement to His Majesty, who won the hearts of every Jordanian a long time ago, and to Queen Alya, who was able ot win their affection.

Jordan, which prides itself on its King through every achievement this country realises, will retain its memory of Her Majesty as the woman who died trying to heal its wounds. His Majesty will be patient,

and so will Jordan and its peo-ple, who will keep behind him in his march forward. AL DUSTOUR, under the

heading "She granted them love and they now give her faithfulness". says that they were all here, all those who were comforted by her in the past. They came to hid her farewell, while His Majesty stood there -- a believer in God's appointed destiny -- also to bid farewell to his companion, with whom he passed years of happiness.

In these last moments of adieu, the people's feelings of loyalty and faithfulness gushed out onto their Queen and their

patient King, and the interac-tion between throne and peo-ple, which characterises the Jordanian monarchy, was felt once again.

The spontaneous gathering of the Jordanian people about their leader, the paper says, denotes more than gestures of condolence, as the tragedy is that of the people just as much as it is that of the King. Jordan has faced this tragedy with one heart, grief-stricken at the loss of the humane Queen who liv-ed for that people and unified it by love during her life and by faithfulness on her death.

The Cairo newspaper Al Ahram, in its editorial violently criticised the attitude of the Soviet Union during the two days of rioting which hit many Egyptian towns last month. The newspaper said: "The Soviet position during these re-

cent riots revealed the real intentions of the Soviet Union towards the regime in power in Egypt and proved the existence of a relationship with those who are seeking to show doubt and hatred in the country."
Stressing the Soviet refusal

to compensate Egypt for lost military equipment and draw up a new timetable for repayment of Egypt's debt, the newspaper said : "Moscow's attitude is favourably approved by Col. Qadhafi of Libya."

THE AMERICAN WOMEN OF AMMAN

Have cancelled their General MONTHLY MEETING. originally scheduled for Monday, Feb. 14.

JORDAN TIMES DAILY GUIDE

In view of the tragic death of Her Majesty the late Queen Alya, the programmes of Jordan Television and Radio Jordan will be limited to the following:

JORDAN TELEVISION

Channel 6:

7:30 News in Hebrew

10:00 News in English

8:00 News in Arabic

Channels 3 & 6 will transmit verses from the Quran.

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13:00 News summary 14:00 News

18:00 News summary

19:00 News

Radio Jordan will broadcast solemn music during the remain-

ing part of its normal transmission. _1

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Sympathisers flock to Jordan's embassies in Beirut, Damascus

BEIRUT (JNA). — Sympathisers on the death of Queen Alya flocked in large numbers to the Jordanian embassy in

Beirut Friday. Foremost of them was a rep-

resentative of President Elias Sarkis, Premier Selim Al Hoss. Foreign and Interior Minister Fuad Butros, a doyen of the diplomatic corps who is the papal nuncio, top government officials, former prime minis-ters, the mufti of Lebanon, Christian and Moslem · religious leaders, heads of Arab and foreign diplomatic corps in Beirut, Lebanese army and public se-curity commanders, journalists, Jordanian community members

Lebanese citizens. A register of condolences was opened at the embassy for three days.

in Beirut and a large number

In Damascus at the same time, groups of sympathisers from various official and popular circles in Syria called on the Jordanian embassy to offer their condolences. Among them were the speaker of the Pales-tinian National Council, Mr. Khaled Al Fahoum and members of the Executive Comm-

KING SENDS CONDOLENCES ON DEATH OF FAKHRUDDIN

AMMAN (JNA). — His Majesty King Hussein Friday sent a cable of condolence to the acting resident of India. Pai abba Danappa Jatti, on the death of the Indian President Fakhruddin

Ali Ahmad.

ittee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation. Others inclu-ded ministers, top officials, redignitaries, heads of Arab and foreign diplomatic corps, businessmen and labour and student union delegations. They expressed to the Jordanian ambassador their deepest sorrow on the death of the Jordanian Queen.

Jordanian citizens in Dama-scus and elesewhere in Syria also visited the embassy and asked the ambassador to convey to King Hussein their heartfelt sorrow for this tragic

Flags were flown at halfmast are a number of Arab and foreign embassies in the city.

ends conference AQABA (JNA). - The news and the boosting of cooperaexchange conference of the Eution between the EBU and ropean Broadcasting Union other broadcasting unions.

(EBU) ended its meetings here

Thursday afternoon by adop-

ting a number of resolutions

and recommendations aimed at

developing news exchange among member countries.

The conference recommended

a more effective use of sate-

llites for wider news coverage,

ILO head

leaves Jordan

after cutting

short visit

AMMAN (JNA). - The Director General of the International

Labour Organisation (ILO), Mr.

Francis Blanchad, left bere Fri-

day on his way to his head-

quarters in Geneva, having cut short his visit to Jordan due to

the death of the late Queen

Mr. Blanchard expressed his hope of returning to Jordan shortly to resume his talks with

His Highness Crown Prince Hassan and Minister of Labour Issam Ajlouni concerning the

ILO's contribution to Jordan's

development plans. These are

related to the organisation's ac-tivities, particularly the human development and vocational

He was seen off at the air-

port by the minister of labour.

training programmes.

The recommendations will be submitted for approval at the enlarged conference due to be held in Ostend, Belgium in Se-

conference set up a six-member committee, which Jordan will participate, to promote cooperation betw-een the EBU and the East European Broadcasting Union.

The conference also recommended that member corporations should provide training opportunities, exchange train-ees, establish a news bank and encourage cooperation between the EBU, different international organisations and the European Economic Community.

During its closing session on Thursday, the conference thanked Jordan Television for hosting the conference and exten-ded its condolences on the tragic death of Her Majesty the

Exchange Rates

Following are the official exchange rates in effect at the start of today's business day, as set by the Central Bank of

The first column is how much you would receive in Jordanian fils for selling a unit of the foreign currency, while the second column denotes how much it would cost you to buy a unit of the foreign currency

U.K. sterling	57a.u	579,
U.S. dollar	333,0	335.
German mark	138.3	138.
French franc	67.2	67,
Swiss franc	132.7	133
Italian lira (for		
every 100)	37.9	38.
Saudi riyal	94.6	94.
Lebanese pound	107.5	108.
Syrian pound	81.6	82.
Iraq! dipar	940.0	948.
Kuwaitl dinar	1.147	1.15
Egyptian pound	475.0	483.
Libyan dinar	740.0	752.
UAE dirham	85.1	86.



King Hussein receives cables of condolence

(Continued from page 1) U.S. Vice President Nelson Rockefeller.

from Mr. Ahmed Al Suweidi, the United Arab Emirates Foreign Minister, His Highness Sheikh Abdul Aziz Ibn Hamad Al Thani; and Maj.-Gen. Mu-barak Al Abdaliah Al Sabah, bead of the Kuwaiti Chief of

Others cables of sympathy came from Mukhtar Ould Daddah, President of Mauritania. The Presidents of Switzerland, Romania, Yugoslavia, West Germany, Mexico, Nicaragua, and Uruguay; Prince Abdallah, brother of the Moroccan king and his wife; Ismail Fahmi, Egypt-Deputy Premier and Fore-Minister; Prince Mohammad Ibn Abdul Aziz Al Saud; former U.S. President Richard Nixon; the Belgian prime minister, the head of the Islamic Centre in Washington; the Governor of Chase Manhattan Bank; the director general of UNESCO; the head of the Is-Council in Europe; former British premier Edward Heath; the Iranian court chamberlain; Gen. John Bagot Glubb and Lady Glubb; Dr. Henry Kissinger; Patriarch Benedictos; and the bead of the

Arab Women's Union in Britain and the Jordanian-Austra-

Messages later came in from Algerian premier Houari Boumedienne and his Foreign Mini-ster Abdul Aziz Boutefiika.

In Paris, speaking to the Jordanian News Agency, French Foreign Minister Louis de Guiringaud said he was shocked at the untimely death of Qu-een Alya as she was carrying out her humanitarian task. He said be extends his sympathy to King Hussein, the Hashemite family and the Jordanian people over the sad accident.

M. de Guiringaud said be was due to make a trip to the Middle East next week when be will visit Beirut, Amman, Damascus and Cairo carrying messages on the current situation in the area and bilateral relations between France and each of these countries. He said be might postpone

his visit to Jordan due to the death of Queen Alya. "I bave instructed our embassy in Amman to put my programme at the disposal of His Majesty King Hussein and the Jordan-Government so they may put off my visit to Jordan if they deem fit," M. de Guiringaud stated.

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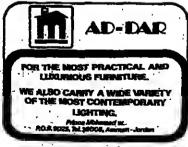
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By Robert C. Cowen

The Christian Science Monitor

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Although much of the Uni-

ted States is in the grip of the

coldest winter so far this cent-

ury, the Earth's climate itself

The climate was warming up

in the early decades of this

century, but that tendency

turned into cooling in the

1940s. Now, over the past 5 to

10 years, the cooling trend it-

self has leveled off, with some

hint that there may be war-

So far this season, the states

west of the Rocky Mountains

and Alaska have been having

warmer than narmal weather.

But east of the Rockies, the

Recent temperatures in the

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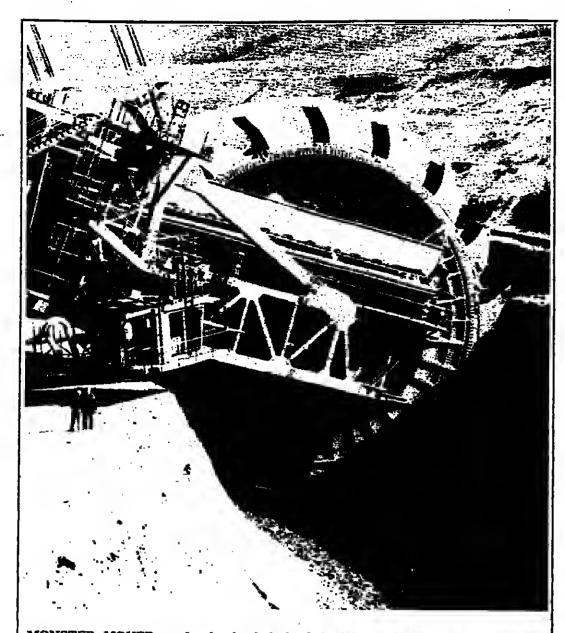
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just may be getting warmer.



MONSTER MOVER -- Jumbo bucketwheel dredgers make short shrift of opencast coal and ore mining nowadays. These jumbos are manufactured in West Germany and exported all over the world. Here they are chiefly used in mining brown coal, which is proving an increasingly invaluable raw material as the demand for fuel and power rockets and oil and gas grow scarcer and more expensive. Last year brown coal accounted for nearly 30 per cent of electric power output in the Federal Republic, and as a safe and inexpensive commodity will continue to be used for coking and at steel and gasworks. But despite ample brown coal and anthracite deposits, Bonn cannot manage without nuclear power. Later this year the Bonn government is to make provision for safe storage of radioactive waste.

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J. Murray Mitchell Jr., clima-

tolngist with the U.S. National

Oceanic and Atmospheric Ad-

ministration, says that the 30-

day forecast for east of the

Rockies is more of the same.

If that happens, he observes,

"a month from now we can say

for the coldest winter this

Meanwhile, the climate it-

12 to 19 degrees.

century at least."

Indira Gandhi confounds pundits of doom by snap election decision

Mrs. Gandhi's surprise decision to hold an election has caught all her critics and political opponents on the hop. It seems to be her style to take big decisions at a time when they are least expected. A Gemini News Service correspondent examines the possible reasons for Mrs. Gandhi's election call.

By D. K. Joshi

NEW DELHI, (Gemini). India's sixth general election next month for 542 Lok Sabha seats against 522 in the dissolved lower house) will not only be gigantic exercise involving about 300 million voters unique in the democratic world -- but an exciting drill mocratic health of India.

Perhaps it has become a part of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's style to take bold decisions at a time when they are least expected. She does not conform to any traditional modefy all political logic. Thus her decisions seem unexpected and have a dramatic effect.

Whether at the time of the great divide in the ruling Congress Party in 1969 or in June 1976 when the second emergency was proclaimed, Mrs. Gandhi acted in a manner which confounded all shades of political opinion, including those in her party. Her unscheduled broadcast to the nation last month announcing the elections was oo less dramatic and a welcome surprise to all.

Mr. Gandhl has an uncanny instinct for judging popular mood. She must have calculated that an early election was desirable to ensure that popular

faith in democracy was oot er-The need for the people "to

give expression to their sovereign will every few years" was recognised by her as an essential ritual to determine the legitimacy of her govern-

Mrs. Gandhi enunciated the basic features of a parliamen-tary democracy in her broad-"Our system rests on the belief that governments derive their power from the people and that the people give expr-ession to their sovereign will, freely and without hindrance. by choosing the government they want and by indicating their preferences for policies. The government so chosen has their complete mandate to carry out such policies ...

We also strongly believe that parliament and governme-nt must report back in the pe-ople and seek sanction from them to carry out programme and policies for the nation's strength and welfare."

What had happened during the last 18 months since the emergency was proclaimed had led Mrs. Gandhi's critics inside and nutside India to believe that democracy would never get back on the rails again. Their conclusion was based on what had happened elsewhere in the past; once a ruler assumes more powers he does not give them up voluntarily.

The logic behind their understanding is that a ruler be-

om the people begins. He canoot return to the old democratic norms because with the passage of time he begins to fear his own people. This is a one-way road to dictatorship.

But Mrs. Gandhi seems to have given political pundits watching events in developing countries some food for tho-

Leaders of opposition parties and political commentators have complained that little time has been given to the opposition parties to prepare for the battle of the ballots. They say three months should have been given after the release of the political detainees.

The other issue on which all npposition parties, including the pro-Moscow groups, are united is wanting the elections to be free and fair and that they demand the revocation of the state of emergency.

The basic test of the freed-om and fairness of the March elections, they argue, will be how far the opposition have the freedom and opportunities to carry on their legistimate election campaign.

Mrs. Gandhi has already taken some steps in that direction. Former Deputy Prime Minister Morarji Desai, and all political detainees except those belong-ing to banned political organis-ations have been released. The censorship nrder is not to be enforced and emergency rules are relaxed to permit normal political activity and election-

The multiplicity of parties has been the bane of democracy in India. An outcome of the surprise electioo call has been

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Dr. Mitchell says he has seen

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recent decades.

the uniting of the non-Communist parties into a national alternative. Four parties -- Congress (Organisation) and Bharativa Lok Dal, breakaway parties of the ruling Congr the Socialist Party and the Jana Sangh (a Hindu nationalist organisation) -- under the le-adership of Sarvodaya leader Jayaprakash Narayan and Desai are to field candidates under the banner of the new Ja-

nata (People's) Party. They will contest with one election manifesto, and they hope to start an era of a two or three -- party system. After more than a quarter century of freedom, India does not have a recognised opposi-tion (for recognition a party must have one-tenth of the to-



Gaudhi: Shrewd mover.

What promtped Mrs. Gandhi to hold elections this year when she had got the life of the Lok Sabha extended for an extra year only in November? The extension now looks a futil exercise.

Is it because unexpected development took place after the extension or did she want to take the opposition parties hy

Even before last November the consensus was that the most propitious time for the ruling party to hold a general election was March 1977. The reasons were: food was plentiful, inflation curbed, the economy buoyant and a feeling that there was growing popular recognition that the emergency. had saved India from tos and had brought, for the dirst time, an air of discipline and purposiveness.

Now some critics are saying that the life of the Lok Sab-1978 to deprive the opposition parties of three months paration for the poll.

More generous commen believe that the steps to normalcy Mrs. Gandhi h ken in the last two or months convinced her the re was no longer any c of returning to pre-emcould be risked.

Other developments thuid have influenced Mrs. dhi are:

> Pakistan Prime M Zulfikar Ali decision to hold a g election on Ma There is a tendency West to compare tan's policy with and Mrs. Gandhi to rebuff critics the hulding elections in mparatively free an atmosphere.

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* The tirade hy Mrs dhi's son, Sanjay, the pro-Moscow C able reaction from position and also i ruling party, neutronamy of Mrs. G critics.

* Non-Communist op parties had written Gandhi assuring he they will play the cratic game and not outside parliament.

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Dr. Mitchell agrees, calling

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He warns that climate may

be returning to "normal" as

far as variability goes. That means people must be prepared

for all seasons to run to the extremes of their normal cli-

large year-to-year variations.

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self does not seem to be get-

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ko, a Soviet climatologist of world reputation, says that not only has Earth's cooling ended but that substantial warming

has set in, due partly to car-

Northeast have averaged 10 to boo dioxide pollutioo. This gas in the atmosphere acts like the while io the Great Plains they glass of a greenhouse to retain warmth.

> Academician Budyko told the Soviet government press agency Novosti: "If the present rapid trend towards a warmer climate continues, in 5 to 10 years, climatic conditions will appear which have not been observed for many centuries."

American experts aren't prepared to go quite that far, although they agree the cooling has ended.

William W. Kellogg of the U.S. National Centre for Atmospheric Research ootes that carbon dioxide buildup should cause warming over a number of decades. But it is hard to find any strong statistical

Dr. Mitchell says: "We just aren't getting the same results as Budyko. The cooling has stopped -- but we see no de-

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finite warming except in the Antarctic.'

Earth may really be in warming trend.

However, Drs. Mitchell and Kellogg do emphasise that there is nothing in the weather patterns to suggest that this cold winter has brought back climactic cooling.

All in all, the weather is giving much of the United States what Donald Gilman, chief of long-range forecasting for the U.S. Weather Service, calls "the kind of old-fashioned winter people had begun to furget about."

That is the key to the perspective in which Drs. Mitchell and Kellogg see this frigid winter -- it is unusual, but not unprecedented. There is nothing about it to suggest an

"If you go back far enough, we don't seem to be breaking many records," explains Dr. Kellogg. "By and large these anomalies of seasonal weather

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West led the two of hearts. How would you play the hand?-R. Jaffe, Miami Beach, Fla.

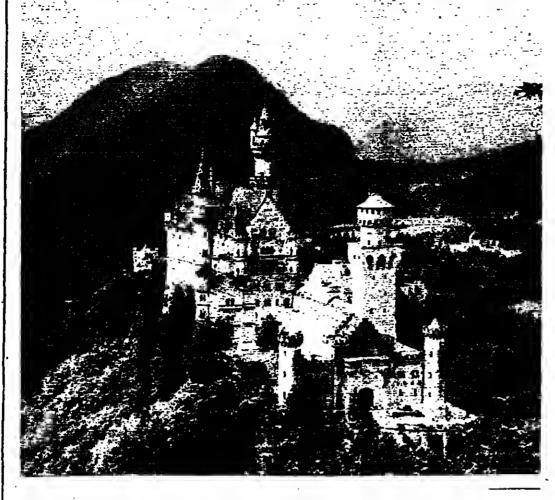
A.—You must lose a trump, a heart and a club. The nnly distribution that can trouble you is if one defeoder holds all four missiog trumps. Since East must have the ace of spades for his opening bid, you must plan the play to avoid losing a second spade trick if East has four

spades.

Win the openiog lead in dummy and play the jack of spades.
Best defense is for East to wio The ace. cash a high heart and exit with a diamond. Win in dummy and lead the nine of spades. East must cover and you win with an hone

Now it is dangerous to cross back to dummy with a diamond— East might ruff. But you can cir-cumvent this impasse by simply playing clubs from your hand. Soooer or later. East will be forced to win the ace, and then he is endplayed. Regardless of what he returns, you will be able to get to dummy to take another spade finesse which you need to make your contract.

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THE JORDAN TIMES...

THREATENED FA-IRYTALE -- Neuschwanstein Castle, perfrom caving in.

ched on a pinnacle in the Bavarian Alps, was built by King Ludwig II of Bavaria little more than a century ago. Ludwig's fairytale folly is an important tourist attraction -- last year 860,000 people visited the castle -- which is being threatened by gradual erosion. Bayarian Finance Minister Ludwig Huber has given the go-ahead for the construction of a one-million mark support wall to stop the cliff at the rear

LAUGHS FROM EUROPE



'I appreciate your fortitude, Thomas, but I insist that you see a doctar about your stiff neck."

HELICOFTER

THEY'RE COMING!

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PEANUTS

from the CARROLL RIGHTER INSTITUTE

GENERAL TENDENCIES: A good day and evening to be off to new scenes and with recent acquaintances although a note of cantion must be given not to make demands or drive carelessly or some misfortune may occur. Otherwise, this is a very good day for you to extend your interests beyond present boundaries and to seek aid from the influential.

ARTES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Good friends can be of real assistance to you today where new ventures and ideas are concerned. Use your hunches wisely. Be careful in driving and avoid a possible accident. Improve health.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Fine day for getting your financial affairs in better order and credit improved. Come to a better understanding with mate by asking questions directly. Show you are a thoughtful person.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Listen carefully to what associates have to suggest and try to cooperate intelligently with them. A new situation presents itself that could bring you greater good will from others.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 211 Use this day to clean up odds and ends. Take health treatments you need to restore vitality. Avoid one who does not appreciate you. LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Plan time for hobbies you enjoy. Show affection for close ties. A fine day to express in a wise way a special talent you may have.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) If you have a frank talk with those who dwell with you, you can come to a fine understanding for the future. Do some entertaining at home that can prove most pleasant and hring excellent results.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) A more direct approach with others is wise since you can then become more productive. Handling correspondence intelligently is wise also. Get right to the point and don't be redundant.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You have fine ideas about finances and should not besitate in putting them across very quickly. Find very best way to improve property also. Avoid one who could get you into trouble.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Your personal aims can be gained if you pursue them in a positive and direct way now. Join in social fun where you can make the acquaintance of interesting personalities. Add to prestige you now enjoy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Contacting an adviser you have trusted in the past is wise, since you can get good suggestions now regarding personal matters. Have a conference with persons you like and gain their hacking.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feh. 19) Take time to get in touch with good friends and deepen the association. Accept any invitation extended to you. Make sure you get bills paid. Be careful in driving.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) You can understand now how to improve your position where career and civic life are concerned. Look for gadgets that can be helpful to you.

THE BETTER HALF

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SWEET BABBOO!

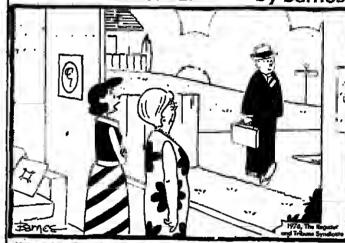
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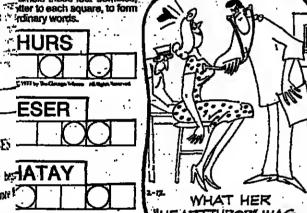


Stanley has his faults, but he's never been generous to one."

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

TRUE STORMS THE THE

by Henri Arnold and Bob Lee



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Jumbles: FRAUD BELIE SWIVEL ABUSED What the sandwich man was--WELL.

E BETTER HALF By Barnes



tell what makes him tick when I don't even know how to wind him up?"

APOLOGY

e Jordan Times apologises for the non-appearce of the daily crossword. Our stocks have erally run dry, and in the meantime we're raiting our next batch from our suppliers in s U.S. We shall resume publication as soon as humanly possible.

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Nimeiri reshuffles Sudanese cabinet

KHARTOUM, Feb. 11. (R). -Sudanese President Jaafar Nimeiri today announced the appointment of new ministers of foreign affairs, finance and the interior in a major cabinet re-

The changes followed a recent conference of the ruling Sudan Socialist Union (SSU). No radical change of complexion in the new cabinet was seen here as most members had been in government circles for some time.

Dr. Mansour Khaled, Foreign Minister before 1974, was reappointed to the post, while retaining his present job of Assistant to the President for Co-

ordination. Mr. Al Sharif Al Khatim, former Minister of Local Government, became Finance Minister replacing Mr. Mamoun

Bihairi, who became Assistant to the Prime Minister for Economics.

Mr. Abdul Wahab Ibrahim chief of Public Security, took over at the Interior Ministry. while retaining his old post-Mr. Abdullah Ahmad Abdullah, a Vice' Chancellor of the University of Khartoum, became Minister of Agriculture.

President Nimeiri, speaking on television in his monthly "Face the Nation" programme, thanked the former cahinet for the "miracle" they had produ-

President Nimeiri had announced late last year that changes would follow the SSU conference in late January. A similar reshuffle came after the first party national conference in early 1974, and there have heen others since.

Death of Indian president pushes election campaign into political background

NEW DELHI, Feb 11, (R). — Indian President Fakhruddin Ali Ahmad died of heart failare today, plunging the country into 13 days of official mourning and pusbing election politics temporarily into the background.

Mr. Ahmad, 71, died early this morning after suffering two heart attacks in quick suc-cession. He collapsed in his official residence after the first attack and revived briefly, but the second attack brought on a coma and be died about two hours later.

Vice President Basappa Danappa Jatti, 64, was sworn in shortly afterwards to hold the largely ceremonlal office of president until a new head of state can be elected after next month's general elections.

Mr. Ahmad's death has overshadowed the hectic campaigning which has been building up towards the elections in five weeks time but is unlikely to have any impact on either

their timing or their results. The election commission announced today that the programme for nominations and other electoral procedures would be unaffected. Polling is

from March 16 to 20. But the routine daily press conferences of the ruling Congress and opposition parties were all cancelled and it seems certain that there will be no campaigning until after Mr.

Ahmad's funeral on Sunday. The late president's body lay in state covered by the ludian flag in the circular, marble-walled Durbar Hall, or audience chamber, of the presidential residence this afternoon. Political leaders, officials, diplomats and thousands of ci-

tizens came to pay their res-

in a message of condolence to Mr. Ahmad's family, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, who was at the president's bedside when he died, said he was "a great Indian, a great gen-tleman, a great Moslem."

Veteran opposition figure Jayaprakash Narayan said in a message: "At this critical moment, the nation sorely needed his mature guidance and guard-

Cambridge-educated Mr. Ahmad, son of 'an army colonel, was born in Delhi and called to the bar from London's In-ner Temple in 1928. He joined the Indian National Congress in 1935 and was twice jailed for non-violent protests during the "Quit India" campaign launched by Mahatma Gandhi against Britain in the 1940s. He spent a total of four-and-a-balf years in jail under security

Ahmad was elected president in August, 1974, and signed Mrs. Gandhi's Declara-tion of a State of Internal Emergeocy the following June.

He also issued orders suspending fundamental rights, but was believed to have been unhappy about the post-emergency mass sterilisation drive which angered Moslems and sparked riots in parts of northern India.

Mr. Jatti, who will be acting president until an electoral college of M.P.s and state legislators chooses a new head of state, is also a lawyer by training and a veteran Congress politician.

ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS NEWS

Egypt seeks U.S. arms, Senate report says

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (R). — Egypt is seeking 40 F-5 fighter planes, a large number of wire-guided anti-tank missiles and more transport planes from the United States, according to a report prepared for the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The report, made available to Reuters yesterday by Senate sources, was prepared by committee investigators following a recent Middle East tour.

It also said Egypt was getting other military aid from west-ern Europe, including Britain, to improve and supplement So-

The report said a major British programme, was under way "to improve" Egypt's Mig-21 fighter planes with better engines, fire control, electronic components and air frames.

Air-to-air missiles from France might be added to the Soviet aircraft in Egypt's arsenal and advanced communications equipment from Europe was replacing Soviet communications gear, the report said.

Despite such supplementary aid from west European countries, Egypt's dependence on Soviet bloc countries, specifically the Soviet Union, would continue because of the need for spares for Soviet-supplied equipment, the investigators said.

"We cannot say with any certainty how this translates into political connections with the USSR," they reported.

Kissinger sells memoirs

NEW YORK, Feb. 11 (Agencies). - Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has signed an agreement with a sub-sidiary of Time Incorporated to publish his memoirs, the company said yesterday. Mr. Arthur Thronhill Jr., President of the subsidiary, Little, Brown and Company, said Dr. Kissinger signed the contract

on Monday.

Mr. Thornhill declined to say bow much money the company offered Dr. Kissingar. But he said be understood several pu-

blishers submitted bids. He added bat Dr. Kissinger's memoirs would cover his years

in government, fist as President Nixon's national security adviser and later as secretary of state, between 1968 and 1976
-- a period which included the end of the Vietnam war and negotiation of an interim pea-ce agreement in the Middle

Mr. Thornhill said he expected the memoirs would become a best-seller and "one of the most important books of this

Sources said Dr. Kissinger will get something in the re-gion of \$2 million for his sto-

Marijuana may be responsible for Chicago train crash

CHICAGO, Feb. 11 (AFP). - Marijuano moy be responsible for the crash here last week of two commuter trains on an elevoted railroad in the centre of Chicago. A police spokesman today disclosed that the driver of one of the trains was carrying four morijuana cigarettes at the time of the accident, which killed 11 persons and injured nearly 200 others. Police turned up the marijuand while searching the wreckage for identity papers the spokesman soid. The driver, Mr. Stephen Martin, is still hospitalised. According to first indications of a probe, motorman Martin failed to heed o red light.

Paris meet held on ways to revive north-south dialogue

lved in the north-south dialogue met yesterday to discuss how best to re-activate their stalled negotiations with rich industris! nations.

It was the first full-scale meeting of the 19 delegation chlefs since the negotiations became deadlocked last November over demands by developing nations that oil and raw material prices be indexed to Western inflation.

The meeting, expected to

during the last hour.

PARIS, Feb. 11, (R). — Senior officials from 19 oil exporting and developing states invologue - · officially entitled Conference on International Economic Cooperation (CIEC).

The eight-member industrial side includes the United States, Japan and the European Common Market.

The dialogue, begun a year ago and designed to point the way to a more equitable world economic system, was origina-Ilv intended to culminate in a decisive ministerial conference

mte Etienne Davignon today called for a more dynamic EEC

He told the community's European Parliament here that progress made in improving EEC relations with Turkey shuld not be regarded as suffici-

nisters) to pursue a more dy-

parliament the community "must reactivate (the agreement) and make it more dynamic," but did not say how this should be done.

WALL STREET REPORT

Prices declined broadly Friday on the New York stock exchange where the industrial average lost more than 6 points bringing to 70 points the total loss of the Dow Jones since the beginning or the year. The drop was accentuated by the announcement by the Commerce Department that retail sales had declined by 2 per cent in January. Losers outnumbered gainers at the close by a wide 853 to

531 margin. At the close the industrial average shows at 931.52, a loss of 6.40 points: Transp at 224.24, a loss of 2.73; utilities at 106.08, a loss of 1.00, 20,510,000 shares changed hands, of which 3,500,000

LONDON MARKET REPORT

The market closed sharply lower on the last day of the account as selling pressure developed due to the lower rate of sterling and concern over further pay restraint negotiations, dealers said.

Government stocks lost up to one point among longer loans while shorts fell 3/8 to 5/8. Leading industrials saw losses ranging to 15p, although most falls were in the 6p to 10p band. At 15:00 the F.T. index was down 10.8 at 378.9.

B.P. remained firm in easier oils, gaining 14p after Wall Street's yesterday while the big four banks lost 8p to 11p. Mining shares eased in line with the lower gold bullion price and Australians also continued easier.

Fisons led leading equities lower with a fall of 15p while losses of 10p were recorded by Glaxo, ICI, Tubes and Beecham, falls of 4p to 8p were seen in Courtauld, Lucas, Reed, A.P. Cement, Tate and Lyle, EMI, GEC, GKN, Thorn, Hawker and

Brewery shares lost several pence more after news Thursday of a proposed government enquiry into beer prices and profit margins, with Bass down 5p, Guinness off 4p and Allied 3p lower.

Price of gold in London closed Friday at \$135.

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More dynamic EEC ties with Turkey called for

LUXEMBOURG, Feb 11, (R). — European Common Market In-dustry Commissioner Viscopolicy towards Turkey.

"I think it is possible to persuade the Council (of EEC Minamic policy towards Turkey."

The strain in relations was caused by Turkish dissatisfaction over the terms of its Association with the community. After months of deadlock Turkey accepted modest improvements in the agreement last December to prevent what Foreign Minister Ihsan Sabri Caglayangil called at the time a crisis in mutual relations.

Viscomte Davignon told the

ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

UfENNA, Feb. 11 (R). - Third World economic leaders said today that \$400 billion in capital investment would be needed to enable developing countries to achieve a major increase in steel production. A five-day United Nations conference concluded that Third World steel production should be quadrupled by the year 2000, possibly reaching 500 million tonnes or more annually: The conference, organised by the Vienna-based U.N. Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO), brought together bigh-level delegates representing industry, management end labour from 64 countries. AIRO, Feb. 11 (AFP). — France has credited Egypt with 650 million francs (about \$130 million) to buy food products, the Middle East News Agency reported yesterday. The loan is guaranteed by COFACE, the French Insurance Company for Foreign

MMAN, Feb. 11 (R). - A delegation of experts from the Orga-Anisation of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC) arrived in Baghdad yesterday on a visit to Iraq, Baghdad Radio reported. It is touring the organisation's member states to find new ways of Arab cooperation in the field of oil, the radio said. The delegation includes experts in petrochemical industries, it added.

WIENNA, Feb. 11 (R). — Differing oil prices levels within the

Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) will not undermine its unity, OPEC's new secretary general said yesterday.

Mr. Ali Mohammad Jaidah of Qatar, writing in the February issue of the OPEC Review, urged industrialised countries "to accept this as the unanimous sentiment of all OPEC member countries and, once and for all, to realise that we are here to stay."

ONDON, Feb. 11 (R). - Generous and responsible use of its great wealth has made Abu Dhabi the leader within the United Arah Emirates and a major force in the Arab World at lage, a special article in the Financial Times said today. The article, in a 10-nage survey on the Middle Eastern state, said that Abu Dhabi's influence acts as a stabilising factor in a region characterised by hectic economic growth. "Broadly stated, Abu Dhabi's aim is to be on good terms with everyone -- except the Communists," the

RIPOLI, Feb. 11 (R). - Libya and Yugoslavia signed a protocol for technical cooperation, including a medical team for the new Libyan Polyclinic at Zawi, at the Health Ministry yesterday, Libya's Arab Revolution News Agency (ARNA) reported today.

Spain's Communists apply for

MADRID, Feb. 11 (R). - Spain's greatest enemy Communist Party, banned since the 1936-39 civil war, applied for legal status today and the right to contest parliamentary

elections in the spring.

The move landed the government and the Supreme Court with the momentuous decision of upholding or revoking a basic tenet preached by the late Gen. Franco for nearly 40 years
that Communism is Spain's

U.N. ASKS ISRAEL TO CEASE ARAB MALTREATMENT

GENEVA, Feb. 11 (AFP). The United Nations Human Rights Commission is to send a telegram asking the Israeli government "to cease" ill trcatment of prisoners in the sceupied Arab territories.

The message, approved yesterday by 22 members of he cummission, expresse "deep pre-occupation at the announced deaths of Arab detainees, attributed to the bad conditions under which they were held." ft asks Israel to take urgent measu-res to improve the conditions and to conform to the Geneva conventions on treatment

of prisoners. The Israeli ambassador, saying that his country was 'once again the victim of hypocrisy," denied the charges. He said Israel gives prisoners and the people in the occupied territories "far more rights and better treatment than the minimum called for in the Geneva conSurrounded by newsmen and

photographers. five prominent Communists atrolled into the Interior Ministry and deposited their party's statutes and other documents required under a ro-

bious applications. The government now has 10 Juan Carlos flies home from Vatican

ROME, Feb. 11, (R). — King Juan Carlos of Spain flew home today after talks with Pope Paul and Italian leaders likely to enhance his domestic pres-

In an unusually long 75-minute audience yesterday, the king won the pope's approval for his moves towards a constitutional monarchy in post-France Spain coupled with democracy and respect for human rights. This was seen as strengthening bis position among Spain's conservative catholics.

He also obtained the pope's thanks for his personal efforts towards reforming the 1953 Concordat governing ties bet-ween Spain and the Vatican. a gesture likely to win approval from some Spanish libera-

The king, who arrived here on Wednesday, received a warm welcome from Italian President Giovanni Leone and Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti last night at a dinner att-ended by the Communist Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies Pietro Ingao.

This meeting, at which the king had an opportunity to di-scuss Spain's bope of joining

Dassault head says Mirage assembly plant in Egypt makes business sense to France

PARIS, Feb. 11 (R). — The head of the French company which makes the Mirage F-l fighter-bomber said today it would be more profitable for France to let Egypt build these planes under licence than to sell them fully assembled to

Arab countries.

M. Benno-Claude Vallieres,
Chairman and Managing Director of the privately-owned Marcel Dassault Company, wel-comed France's move to allow Egypt to build 150 of the fighter-bombers under licence.

bat aircraft to Egypt and its Arab arms consortium partnbusmess Economiste, that manufactur-

cause "it allowed human contacts and ought normally to associate the two partners for a long period." He said he did not think his

ports of military aircraft.

The new-style deal concluded last month involves supplying 200 of the advanced com-

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (R). — The U.S. Senate yesterday confirmed Mr. Richard Parker, a career diplomat and Middle East

specialist, as the new U.S. ambassador to Lebanon. Mr. Parker,

53, was most recently U.S. ambassador to Algeria. He previously served in Beirut in the early 1960s and later in Cairo and Rabat.

DARIS, Feb. 1: (R). - The French Socialist Party said yesterday

it had set up a parliamentary group to develop friendly exchanges with the israeli Labour Party. The group's first activities would be to participe in reviewing the situation of Jews in the Soviet Universand a visit to Israel by a Socialist Party delegation

DDIS ABABA, Feb. 11 (R). - Lieut.-Cof, Megistu Haile-Mariam

Ahas been appointed Chairman of Ethiopia's ruling Military Coun-

cil to replace Brig.-Gen. Teferi Bante who was killed in a palace

MASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (AFP). - The U.S. State Department

yesterday denied reports that Iraq had informed Washington that it wanted to re-establish diplomatic relations, suspended after

the 1967 Mideast war. Reports had said that the possibility of the

normalisation of Iraqi-Amarican relations would be discussed by

Secretary of State Cyrus Vance in the various Middle East capitals

ARACHI, Feb. 11 (R). — Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO)

Neader Yasser Arafat left here today for Saudi Arabla after a two-day visit and talks with Pakistan's Prime Minister Zulfiker

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (R). - President Carter will host a two-

Whour radio phone-in programme on March 5 to answer Americans' questions, the White House said yesterday. Top television

personality Walter Cronkite will be at the president's side in the

Oval Office to help him handle the unprecedented programme, to

be called "Ask President Carter". It will be broadcast live by CBS.

MASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (R). - President Carter told government

mamployees yesterday he doesn't like them 'living in sin' and

asked them to help convince American voters the administration

was honest. He spoke to staff meetings at the Department of

Housing and Urban Development and the Treasury. Mr. Carter

told housing staff he had instructed White House aides to avoid

MMAN, Feb. 11 (R). - King Khaled of Saudi Arabia left Riyadh

A this afternoon to Europe for a medical check-up, the Saudi

Radio reported. He was understood to be going to London for a bip operation. The radio did not say how long the king would

marriage troubles.

gun battle last week, it was announced tonight.

he will visit on his coming tour starting on Monday.

M. Vallieres told the French weekly. Le Nouvei ing the plane under licence was the most desirable solution be-

company ran the risk of seeing Egypt export its own Mirage jets thus eroding French ex-

"Manufacturing licences and sales licences must not be con-fused," he said. "There is a legal guarantea for the company which grants its licence. It does not run the risk of turning its client into a future competitor. A first batch of 50 Mirage F-1 jets will be delivered to

Egypt before the beginning of next year. The remaining 150 planes will be built over the next decade by the \$4 billion Arab arms consortium set up

own nomenclature. pressure on the nine-member European Economic Community (EEC) here today to hammer out a joint declaration on the The nine were reluctant to take up the issue in the framework of the three-day session of the General Committee of the Euro-Arab Dialogue, which goes on meeting here put forth a figure on i iects.

until tomorrow. But EEC representatives agreed to the creation of two sub-committees, which the Arab League dubbed "political"

Middle East conflict.

Under the decree, the gov-ernment renounced its right to

veto parties and left it to the

Supreme Court to rule on du-

the European Common Market and of closer collaboration with

ftaly in the Mediterranean, was

seen as another boost for the

young monarch from a country where left-wing influence

President Leone said Itali-

ans were "very satisfied" with

his reforming measures and hoped for the "entire success of this policy to assure the Spanish people of a great future."

King Juan Carlos also gave an off-the-record briefing yes-

terday to influential editors of

Italian newspapers. The press

here has been generally favourable towards his policies.

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and "technical". The nine, ever reluctant to tie the dialogue to political consideration's, called the new working groups simply "A"

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Waldheim's visit to Cyprus may affor chance for renewal of negotiations

prus itself and on the interna-

NICOSIA, Feb. III (AFP). — United Nations Secretary Gen-ral Kurt Waldheim's brief vi-sit to Cyprus tomorrow and Sunday may well result in the resumption of negotiations be-tween the island's Greek and Turkisb communities.

Mr. Waldheim's visit marks the first return to normal diplomatic activity over the Cypriot problem. The U.N. Secretary General will be followed a few days later by President Carter's special envoy, Clark Clifford, who is being sent out on an exploratory information trip to Nicosia, Athens and Ankara, as well as to the EEC

countries. The basic aim of these diplomatic efforts is to find a compromise which will allow the 660,000 Cypriots (77 per cent Greek and 18.3 per cent Turks) to coexist peacefully in a united country in spite of their centuries-old rivalries and in-

ternal wars. Both the atmosphere in Cy-

tional political scene ere favourable to the search for a peaceful solution to this long Leaders of the two ethnic communities, Archbisbop Mak-

arios, the Greek-Cypriot president of the republic, and Mr. Rauf Denktash, "President of the Federated Turkish State of Cyprus," met on Jan. 27 for the first time in 13 years. The departure of U.S. State

Secretary Henry Kissinger from the international scene should also help to defuse the situa-

tion he was particularly liked by the Greeks For the last few that have stopped throwing at the United States e and instead now deno in front of the gates .i pro-American slogans. The new administrate Washington has made di wish to see an end to-Turkish discord which i sidered a permanent. St threat on NATO's sou flank the Cypriot prob among the most importar

needs to be settled. Makarios prepared accept "proportiona" Cypriot federal stat

President Makarios said here today that a federated Cypriot state would be acceptable "un-

der certain conditions". He made the statement in an exclusive written interview given today to Agence France-Presse, on the eve of the arrival here of United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim.

Archbishop Makarios was as ked to explain what he had meant when he stated he was prepared to accept an "honourable compromise" on the Cyprus prohlem.

He replied: 'The Turkish Cypriot leadership stated many times that they want the Greeks and Turks of Cyprus to

live separately. I do not think this separation is to the benefit of the Turkish Cypriot com-"I accept however that there should be arrangements for se-parate existence as long as this

really the wish of the Turkish Cypriots.
'To make this possible the auggestion of a federal state is acceptable under certain condi-tions and prerequisites. We ac-cept a federation in the sense

an area of territory proportionate to its population ratio."
"However", Archbishop Makarios continued, "certain basic prerequisites and principles such as freedom of processors. such as freedom of movement. freedom of settlement and the right of property should be res-

that each community should

have under its administration

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Archbishop Makarios w ked: "Taking into com-tion the latest develops do you see any change Turkish government's pol the Cyprus problem?" He said : "I hope I s: wrong in my assessmen impression that this time

Turqish government real shes a settlement of the C crisis. "It can be said in this nection that Mr. Denk move for a meeting, on in tions from Ankara, also i

tes a change in the Turkit licy on the Cyprus probl "f think the Turkisb 1 nment also realises now protraction of the Cyprus olem seriously harms Tu interests."

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